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## THREE STEAM TRAWLERS IN.

Sch. Manomet Gets 14 Cents  
Per Pound For Her 35  
Swordfish.

T wharf had 21 arrivals this morning and with the exception of one mackerel trip and a swordfisherman, the day's receipts were ground fish.

The largest fare of the morning is that of sch. Belbina P. Domingoes which hauled for 65,000 haddock and 25,000 cod. Other fares are schs. Conqueror, 60,000 pounds; Leonora Silveria, 75,000 pounds; Edith Silveria, 50,000 pounds.

Three of the steam trawlers are in, the Swell having 57,000 pounds, Foam, 52,000 pounds and Crest, 33,000 lbs.

Sch. Manomet landed 35 swordfish, which sold at 14 cents a pound right through.

Prices remained about the same as yesterday, haddock selling from \$1 to \$1.25 a hundred weight, large cod, \$3, market cod, \$1.60 to \$1.75, hake, 80 cents to \$1.10 and fresh tinker mackerel four cents a pound.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 25,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 7000 hake.

Sch. Conqueror, 40,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Annie Perry, 12,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 4000 hake.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 19,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Edith Silveria, 40,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 1000 hake.

Steamer Crest, 33,000 haddock, 400 cod.

Steamer Foam, 18,000 haddock, 34,000 cod.

Steamer Swell, 26,000 haddock, 31,000 cod.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, 55,000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Eleanora DeCoste, 18,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia, 12,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Genesta, 22,000 haddock, 400 cod, 3500 hake.

Sch. Dixie.

Sch. Appomattox, 2000 haddock, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Eva Avina, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 65,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 30,000 haddock, 2500 cod.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 28,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Victor, 25,000 fresh tinker mackerel, 80 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Manomet, 35 swordfish.

Haddock, \$1 to \$1.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$1.60 to \$1.75; hake, 80 cts. to \$1.10; swordfish, 14 cts. per lb.; fresh tinker mackerel, 4 cts. per lb.

### Portland Fish Notes.

Large quantities of bluebacks are reported by the Portland fishermen in the vicinity of Cape Porpoise, but they are so wild that no one has been able to land any. The fish are probably heading south after their summer visit to Maine.

The steamer Elthier is now hauled up at Central wharf for a few days while repairs are being made to her boilers.

For all there are many of the small boats bringing in fish, haddock continue to be scarce off this port. Over 10,000 pounds of fish were landed Tuesday and the greater part of them were hake. A few cod were also found, but the haddock were very scarce.

### Porto Rico Fish Market.

Inquiry remains good for codfish of good quality at prices ranging from \$26, \$26.50 to \$27.50 for small, medium and large, respectively. Ponce importers have been offering their surplus stock in our market at \$24 delivered, without great success, buyers being apprehensive of quality. When shippers get over their present fad of having their goods slaughtered at Ponce, there may be a chance for some improvement. Our own market is in fairly good shape for next arrivals. Pollock and haddock demand is good, especially for pollock. Stock are about exhausted. We quote nominally \$20 to \$21 for superior quality, quality.

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## DOWN HERE WITH SALT MACKEREL.

Two Salt Bankers and Two  
Halibuters Also Among  
Arrivals Here.

Today's fish receipts at this port include a variety of fares, which have arrived since yesterday's report.

Sch. Hortense from halibuting ha 8000 pounds of halibut and 75,000 pounds of shuck, while sch. Margaret has 5000 pounds of halibut and 35,000 pounds of fresh fish.

Sch. Gossip, Capt. Michael Smith, one of the salt trawl bankers, is at home after a five months' trip with 180,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Ramona from dory handlining with 140,000 pounds of salt cod. Another salt fare is that of sch. Ralph Russell from drifting, with 35,000 pounds of salt cod.

Several of the seiners brought down their salt mackerel fares from Boston to land before sailing again, those here being schs. Constellation, Diana, Ralph L. Hall, Stiletto and Clintonia.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Hortense, Emerald Bank, 8000 lbs. halibut, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Gossip, salt trawl banking, 180,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Ramona, dory handlining, 140,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Constellation, via Boston, 90 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Stiletto, via Boston, 150 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Clintonia, via Boston, 200 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Diana, via Boston, 35 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Margaret, halibuting, 5000 lbs. fresh halibut, 35,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, via Boston, 160 bbls. salt mackerel.

Str. Geisha, shore.

Str. Margaret D., seining.

Str. Bethulia, via Boston.

Str. Quoddy, seining.

Str. Water Witch, via Boston.

Sch. Ralph Russell, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, via Boston.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, via Boston.

Sch. Alert, via Boston.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, via Boston.

Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.00 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50; snappers, \$2.50.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.00.

Dory handlining codfish, large, \$3.50, medium, \$3.12 1-2; snappers, \$2.25.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1-2; mediums, \$3.50.

Drift codfish, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.37 1-2.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.25.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Hake, \$1.25.

Salt tinker mackerel, \$15 per bbl.

Fetched halibut, 10c per lb.

#### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, 70c per cwt.

Peak and Cape North cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.00; mediums, \$1.65; snappers 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, 70c.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round 70c.

Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white, 9c for gray, 7c for chicken.

Fresh mackerel, 30c for large, 5c per lb. for tinkers.

Fresh bluebacks, \$2 to \$2.25 per bbl. for bait; \$1.25 per bbl. to freezer; 60 cts. per bbl. for oil.

Fresh porgies, \$1.25 per bbl. for bait; 75c per bbl. for oil.

Fresh herring, \$1.50 per bbl. to freezer; \$2.50 per bbl. for bait.

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### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Ella G. King, Norma, Mary A. Gleason, Richard J. Numan, Eva and Mildred, Flavilla, Priscilla, Fanny Reed, Kate L. Palmer and Stranger were at Louisburg, N. S., Monday and cleared.

Sch. Paragon was at Liverpool last Monday and cleared for fishing.

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## JULY RECEIPTS HERE AND BOSTON

The total receipts of fresh fish at this port for July was 3,764,678 pounds, valued at \$59,677, while the salt fish receipts totalled 2,461,833 pounds, valued at \$76,718, according to the July bulletin issued by the Bureau of Fisheries, Department of Commerce and Labor.

Boston led in the landings of fresh fish, a total of 7,862,495 pounds, valued at \$290,798, being received together with 2000 pounds of salt fish, at a value of \$110 during the month.

The receipts by grades and value of each is given in the following table:

### Gloucester.

	Pounds.	Value.
Fresh cod .....	979,990	\$16,486
Salt cod .....	2,250,260	72,913
Total cod .....	3,230,250	89,399
Fresh haddock ....	638,490	4,482
Salt haddock .....	60,643	807
Total haddock .....	699,133	5,289
Fresh cusk .....	8,450	110
Total cusk .....	8,450	110
Fresh hake .....	351,359	2,443
Salt hake .....	47,127	592
Total hake .....	398,486	3,035
Fresh pollock .....	189,555	1,361
Salt pollock .....	37,247	655
Total pollock .....	226,802	1,916
Fresh halibut .....	223,446	15,671
Salt halibut .....	2,173	174
Total halibut .....	231,619	15,845
Fresh mackerel ....	82,080	4,503
Salt mackerel .....	10,000	450
Total mackerel ....	92,080	4,953
Fresh bluebacks ....	462,000	5,889
Fresh herring .....	64,600	817
Menhaden .....	219,800	840
Fresh shad .....	44,400	576
Swordfish .....	920	92

### Boston.

Fresh cod .....	1,682,700	\$67,869
Fresh haddock .....	3,705,750	70,212
Fresh cusk .....	98,400	2,042
Fresh hake .....	699,500	12,872
Fresh pollock .....	254,200	8,886
Fresh halibut .....	166,000	13,679
Fresh mackerel ....	241,595	21,892
Salt mackerel .....	2,000	110
Total mackerel .....	243,595	22,002
Swordfish .....	1,014,350	93,370

### Wants \$1000 for a Frog.

Peter J. Safford, a stone cutter of Brooklyn, N. Y., thinks he's got the biggest bullfrog in captivity. It weighs a pound and a half and measures 15 inches long and 10 inches girth. Stafford and a friend, William Sutton, captured the frog in a pond on the latter's place in Somersville, N. J., after an hour's struggle. Stafford wants \$1,000 for the frog. It is supposed to be not far from 100 years old.

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## FISH SKINNERS ELECT LEADERS.

The fish skimmers, trimmers, cutters and pressmen of the various lofts of the city formally organized Tuesday evening, and the new union will be known as the Fish Skinners, Trimmers, Cutters and Pressmen's Union, Local 14,307.

The following officers were elected: President—Joseph Grace. Recording secretary—John Sousa. Treasurer—John Swinson. Financial secretary—Everett Forbes. The new organization starts off with a membership of 225. Regular meetings and the place of holding thereof will be decided later.

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### Fish Spoil for Want of Salt.

Letters received from Indian Harbor, Spotted Islands and other places on the Labrador say that thousands of quintals of cod were spoiled owing to the short supply of salt during the early part of August. In several instances the fish were kept in bulk for days awaiting the arrival of salt, but later had to be destroyed. During the two weeks the preservative was unobtainable cod was eating the rocks, and along the section of the coast referred to, at least 20,000 quintals were lost to the fisherman.—St. John's News.

### Pacific Banker Home.

With a cargo of about 230 tons of fine codfish, and after an uneventful voyage, the schooner Maid of Orleans arrived at Anacortes last Sunday morning. The vessel belongs to the Matheson Fisheries Company and is in command of Captain George M. Jacobs. The ship left on the 8th of the month and had good weather right along. The health of the crew is reported to be good. The ship carries a crew of twenty-two.

This cargo will not be unloaded until the cargo of the Fannie Dutard is unloaded. The Dutard has about two-thirds of her cargo unloaded.

### Newfoundland Fishery Report.

Lawn—No fishery news; squid scarce.

Trinity—Sufficient squid for local fishermen. Schooner Olinda arrived from Labrador with 600 quintals of fish.

Fogo—No fishery news.

Seal Cove—Boats nothing, herring for bait, no squid. Dogfish plentiful.

Lamaline—Plenty of squid last night; fair sign of fish.

Harbor Grace—Squid enough for bait; codfish scarce.

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## HAS BIG FARE OF HADDOCK.

Sch. Laverna in at T Wharf  
This Morning With  
80,000 Pounds.

This morning was a little bit quieter than it has been at any other time during the week at T wharf as to arrivals, the fares reported since yesterday morning being two seiners and seven groundfish arrivals.

Sch. Laverna, Capt. Albert Larkin, has a large fare, of which 80,000 pounds are haddock and 2500 cod, and 2000 pollock. Most of the remaining fares are light, including the steam trawler Ripple, with 15,000 pounds.

Haddock was down to \$1 and \$1.10 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$2.50 to \$3; market cod, \$1.75; hake, 90 cents and pollock, \$1.10.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. William A. Morse, 20,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Dixie, 100 haddock, 500 cod, 3500 pollock.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, 40,000 fresh tinker mackerel, 126 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Str. Ripple, 15,000 haddock, 1200 cod.

Sch. Laverna, 80,000 haddock, 2500 hake, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Buema, 30,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Lillian, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 hake.

Sch. Grace Otis, 2000 fresh tinker mackerel, 2000 medium, 3000 large, 50 bbls. salt mackerel.

Haddock, \$1 to \$1.10 per cwt.; large cod, 2.50 to \$3; market cod, \$1.75; hake, 90 cents; pollock, \$1.10; fresh tinker mackerel, 51-2 cents per lb.; medium, 12 cents each; large, 24 cents each.

### Portland Fish Notes.

One of the Portland fishing fleet, the schooner Marjie Turner, arrived Wednesday from a three weeks' cruise on the Western Banks, having over 11,000 pounds of halibut besides 20,000 pounds of fresh fish. The halibut were purchased by Capt. Hartly for the New England Fish Company at 10 and 11 cents, while her fresh fish catch were taken by the Lord Brothers.

Capt. Samuel Colson was suffering so severely from blood poisoning in his hand that the attention of a doctor was at once needed. The captain is at a loss to know what started the trouble.

The fishing schooner Angie B. Watson was grounded out on the mud at the head of Commercial wharf Wednesday where she will install a new 34 horse power Lathrop engine in place of the smaller one heretofore in use. She will also receive a complete new outfit of sails and dories.



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## MADE MONSTER MACKEREL STOCK

The Big Fare of Sch. Clintonia Was Good for \$ 6900.

The record stock and share of the season in the mackerel fishery was made by sch. Clintonia, Capt. Ralph Webber, which as a result of the craft's 13 days out realized the magnificent sum of \$6900. Her crew of 16 men received \$193.31 clear as their part of the proceeds.

Another big stock is that of sch. Stiletto, Capt. Lewis Carrit, which arrived Wednesday, with the other big fellows, at T wharf, Boston. Capt. Carrit was also out 13 days and stocked \$4450. There were 16 1-2 shares, each share being \$120.45 clear.

Sch. Constellation, out 11 days, realized \$3840 on her recent seining trip. Capt. Seavy's 20 men each sharing \$81.21 clear.

Two more mackerel fares have arrived at Boston since yesterday's report, both craft's having nice trips of fish taken off Nantucket, where large rafts of mackerel are still reported schooling.

Yesterday forenoon sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Cameron, arrived at the dock with 40,000 fresh tinkers and 126 barrels of salt ones. This morning sch. Grace Otis is in with a mixed fare of 2000 tinkers, 2000 mediums, 3000 large and 50 barrels of salt mackerel. The tinkers sold at five and one-half cents a pound while large mackerel brought 24 cents and mediums, 12 cents each.

Some good catches of small mackerel continue to be made at Woods Harbor, N. S. They run larger than last week. One boat secured 1,000. Herring is scarce.

### That Mackerel Was a Monster.

A cut of the mammoth mackerel landed at T wharf by the sch. Mary E. Harty on Wednesday was made on paper and it was brought to the Times office this forenoon by E. K. Burnham of the E. K. Burnham Fish Company.

The big fish measured exactly 27 inches from tip to tip and weighed 7 3-4 pounds. It measured nearly 18 inches around and was without a doubt one of the biggest of its species ever landed on a wharf.

### \$6500 Stock for Sch. Arthur James.

Another gill edge trip is that of sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine. The craft was absent a fortnight and her stock was rising of \$6500, the crew of 18 men sharing \$166 each.

### Salt Mackerel Sale.

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Arthur James sold in Boston at \$13.50 a barrel.

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### Japan's Fisheries.

There was a large increase during the year in the importation of steamers, principally trawlers, into Kobe, Japan, the trawling industry having proved very profitable, as per a recent consular report. About a year ago there were only about 30 trawlers in Japan, the capital employed amounting to about \$1,000,000. There are now 25 companies engaged in this business, with a capital of \$2,750,000 and 80 vessels. About 30 new trawlers are being built at the various shipyards in Japan and several new companies are being formed.

The fishing industry of Nagasaki has grown enormously since the introduction of steam trawling, which has proved to be one of the most profitable enterprises started here in recent years. The number of steam trawlers at present in use is 20, and is being constantly increased, the number that will be in commission by next year being estimated at 40 out of a total of 80 for all Japan. The exports of dried fish from Nagasaki to the Philippine Islands during 1911 were valued at \$1,317.

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## NEW CRAFTS FOR PACIFIC WATERS.

On Canada's Pacific coast the long narrow reaches of the inside route from Seattle and Vancouver to the halibut grounds off the coast of Alaska have made the sails of the fishing schooners employed in the halibut industry an almost useless part of their equipment during the major portion of their trips. To overcome this difficulty many of these boats are equipped with motor power, but it has remained for the New England Fish company, Boston, to take the longest step forward in the industry. This firm's headquarters are at Boston, but they have important offices in New York, Seattle and Vancouver and Ketchikan, Alaska. The officers are now having built at the yards of Arthur D. Story, in Essex and this port, two sister schooners of a modified knock-about type, to be powered with two 100 horsepower engines, operating twin screws.

They are of particular interest to that they will use for fuel a low grade asphaltum base oil put out by the Star Fuel Oil. It costs a dollar per barrel in Seattle, and its high-flash point makes it as safe as coal. It is planned to launch the two schooners early in October, and after the engines have been installed and the rigging and outfitting completed, they will proceed to Seattle via Cape Horn, arriving there in time for the early spring work. The schooners were designed by Thomas F. McManus, of Boston.

## GILL NETTERS FOR NOVA SCOTIA.

The Cold Storage Company are now having two power boats constructed in the shipyard of Mr. Donald Ross, Yarmouth. These vessels will be 60 feet long, built in the most substantial manner of oak and hackmatack and equipped with 25 h. p. gasoline engines. Mr. Ross the builder is a man of large experience, having been for some years foreman in the works of the Burrell-Johnson Iron Co.

The company has leased the Jenkins shipyard for one year and propose to build other vessels of the same class as those under construction at Yarmouth. These two will be utilized in the gill-netting fishery, an industry new to the locality. When in use, each boat will set about five miles of nets, and will be provided with a special lifting machine operated by gasoline power, to take the nets from the water. Operations will be begun on December 1 next.

The herring which are being taken in large quantities in the traps of Messrs. Swim Bros., and Mr. MacMillan, and also in many nets, are of fine quality and more than usual size. The Cold Storage Company are continually buying them from the fishermen, of Lockport, West Head, Green Harbor, and Sandy Point. An abundant supply of bait for the lobster and other winter fishing is already in sight, and there will be a large quantity available for the market.

### Sandy Point Notes.

Bait is scarce. The herring has about disappeared. Some small catches are made, selling at \$2.00 per barrel.

Schs. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Stream, and the Esperanto, Captain Green, were in Wednesday morning for bait. The Mary L. Curtis, Captain Curtis, sailed for the fishing grounds after baiting here.

The Gladys Thorburn, Captain Doane, was in at Read Head Wednesday. The captain reports doing well. Drifting for mackerel in the North Bay.

The Claudia, Captain Gouveau was in for shelter last week. Drifting off Brown's Bank.

The Thorburn trap got thirty large mackerel Wednesday morning.

Captain Albert Thorburn secured \$3.75 per barrel for salt herring in Halifax.

Captain Elroy Prior and wife of Gloucester is visiting at Mrs. Prior's sister, Mrs. Bernhard Goodick.

## THE SPLITTERS GET FOUR FARES

The Gasoline Boats Yesterday Brought in Fully 500 Barrels Bluebacks.

Today's receipts at this port consist of fresh fish and salt mackerel, about 275,000 pounds of the former being brought down from Boston to split by the following crafts: schs. Leonora Silveria, Edith Silveria, Juno and Belbina P. Domingoes.

Sch. Lucania brought down 190 barrels of salt mackerel and sch. Victor 80 barrels, after disposing of their fresh trips.

The gasoline boats had about 500 barrels of bluebacks yesterday. One trip went to Boston, a few for bait, while 100 barrels were put into the freezer and rest sold for oil.

### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Juno, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lucania, via Boston, 190 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, via Boston, 75,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Edith Silveria, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Joppate, seining, 120 bbls. bluebacks (went to Boston).

Steamer Bryda F., seining, 70 bbls. bluebacks.

Steamer Beatrice E., seining, 47 bbls. bluebacks.

Steamer Bessie A., seining, 70 bbls. bluebacks.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, seining, 120 bbls. bluebacks.

Sch. Victor, via Boston, 80 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Arthur James, via Boston.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, via Boston.

Sch. Marjie Turner, via Portland.

### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, haddocking.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, haddocking.

Sch. Elmer E. Gray, haddocking.

Sch. Electric Flash, seining.

Sch. Massachusetts, seining.

Sch. Constellation, seining.

Steamer Water Witch, seining.

Steamer Philomena, seining.

Sch. Yankee, halibuting.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.

### Sailed Thursday.

Sch. Pinta, seining.

Sch. Harmony, seining.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, seining.

Str. Geisha, seining.

Str. R. J. Kellick, seining.

Sch. Adeline, haddocking.

Sch. James W. Parker, shacking.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, halibuting.

Sch. Gov. Foss, halibuting.

Sch. Teaser, halibuting.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

#### Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.25; medium, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.00 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50; snappers, \$2.50.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$2.87 1-2; snappers, \$2.00.

Dory handlining codfish, large, \$3.50; medium, \$3.12 1-2; snappers, \$2.25.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1-2; mediums, \$3.50.

Drift codfish, large, \$3.75; mediums, \$3.37 1-2.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.25.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Hake, \$1.25.

Salt tinker mackerel, \$15 per bbl.

Fetched halibut, 10c per lb.

#### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, 70c per cwt.

Peak and Cape North cod, large, \$1.75; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

Western cod, large, \$2.00; mediums, \$1.65; snappers 75c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, 70c.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1.00; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round 70c.

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Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white, 9c for gray, 7c for chicken. Fresh mackerel, 30c for large, 5c per lb. for tinkers. Fresh bluebacks, \$2 to \$2.25 per bbl. for bait; \$1.25 per bbl. to freezer; 60 cts. per bbl. for oil. Fresh porgies, \$1.25 per bbl. for bait; 75c per bbl. for oil. Fresh herring, \$1.50 per bbl. to freezer; \$2.50 per bbl. for bait.

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### Good Halibut Stocks.

Sch. Catherine Burke, Capt. Jerome McDonald, stocked \$3242.73 from her recent halibuting trip, the crew of 20 men sharing \$85.82 clear.

Sch. Monitor, Capt. George Marr, stocked \$2317.16 on her recent halibuting trip, the crew's share being \$64.66 clear. The latter craft carries 16 men.

### Even Dogfish Scarce.

Very little is doing in the fishing line at Clark's Harbor, N. S. Fish of all kinds scarce. Even dogfish are so scarce that the reduction works are without a supply.

### Bait Scarce at Canso.

Bait is scarce at Canso, N. S. Many of the vessels seriously affected by the scarcity. Sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrisey, has just left there on a bait-hunting trip to Shelburne.

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### Nova Scotia Market.

The general condition in the Nova Scotia cured fish market shows no appreciable change, the prolonged continuance of wet weather still delaying receipts, the Fishing Gazette reports. In the fresh fish trade, arrivals have been lighter than previous weekly averages, although fair hauls are reported on both coasts, especially in herring, the size and quality being better than for several seasons. The sword fishery is considered about over for this year. But few mackerel have been taken as yet, some scattered ones being found in the herring nets.

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## CAN YOU TELL A REAL HERRING?

If So Hustle to Washington and Help Out Acting Secretary Curtis.

What is a herring? That is the urgent question with which the treasury department wrestled yesterday. After authoritatively deciding several months ago that a hen is a bird, Acting Secretary Curtis is now called upon to draw the line sharply in the family of fishes. Customs revenue for the government hangs on the decision.

The tariff act imposes a duty of half a cent a pound on herring, while fish in tins must pay 30 per cent. ad valorem. The customs court has decided that herring, whether or not in tins, is entitled to the lower rate of half a cent per pound. The question is, are spratts, sardines and other fishes of the same family, herring, or is a herring only the common popular variety that used to be cheap, and which can be found in all markets.

Mr. Curtis has reserved decision and will apply the taste test.

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### Shared Well Swordfishing.

Sch. Hockomock, the last of the Portland fleet of swordfishermen to come here this season, arrived Thursday from a four weeks' cruise to the eastward, bringing in 17 swordfish. She had been fishing off the northern end of Cape Breton, and Capt. Smith reports a very disagreeable trip, it blowing a gale of wind all the time, the schooner being obliged to make harbor nearly every night. Notwithstanding the poor results attending this trip the schooner had done well earlier in the season, having landed 327 swordfish in all, the vessel stocking about \$5000, the men sharing \$308 each.